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We notice by some of our exchanges that a "non-partisan Alliance" paper has been started at Cherryvale, but the "boys" say that the name of the editor does not appear. However, we learn through the Neosho Falls Post that J. W. Richardson is the editor. That explains the disgust expressed by our reform brethren in speaking of the sheet. We are well acquainted with him. He was once the publisher of the Garnett Republican; later, of the Garnett Eagle; later, of several other papers. He is a sort of tramp "editor." He goes to a town and stays as long as he can gull the people, and the seeks new pastures. He don't know a plow from a threshing machine, and has no love for the farmer, unless said farmer happens to wear good clothes. He is a Republican, or claims to be, and works simply and solely for ducats and flattery. Pass him around.

WHEN the Wall street stock and gold gamblers and bankers get in a tight place, President Harrison and Secretary Windom rush to the rescue; but when the farmers find themselves in destitute circumstances, and are about to lose their homes, and send petitions to congress asking for relief, they are sneered at by the autocratic rulers and are told that they are too extravagant; that they do not need the comforts of life; that their children need no education and no decent clothes; that organs, buggies, and other things that go to make life pleasant are not intended for clodhoppers or laborers; that they should be satisfied to live as their forefathers did. They are told to go to work and "raise more corn and less hell." Then, when they raise a good crop, and fail to get a decent price for it, they are told that they have raised too much—there is an "over-production." Just study these facts, gentlemen.

"The decalogue and the golden rule have no place in a political campaign. The object is success."—John J. Ingalls.

Christian friend, read that again.

FARMERS, you can help to make the AGITATOR interesting. Send in short letters or items.

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### Another Official Disregard of Law.

On the 10th of September, Secretary of the Treasury Windom made a bold play into the hands of favorites by beginning the payment of one year's interest in advance of falling due on government 4 per cent. bonds. From September 10th to October 10th, the clerical force of treasury department is making out checks and forwarding them by mail to those who in this or other countries hold U. S. bonds that were given out years ago for greenback money called in and burned in order to provide bonds for the millionaires. These bonds are generally deposited in the treasury for safe keeping, free of charge to the owners. As the interest is sent out, on the face of the bonds will be stamped "Interest due January 1st, April 1st, July 1st, 1891, prepaid."

The one year's interest thus to be paid on outstanding "fours" amounts to \$23,453,546. Among the largest holders of these bonds given out for legal tender greenback money, taken in and destroyed in order to make money scarce and the rate of interest higher for the benefit of usurers, is the Bowery bank, New York City, \$20,000,000; Brooklyn Savings bank, \$10,000,000; Standard Oil Company Trust, \$20,000,000; Atlantic Insurance Company, \$5,000,000; the Vanderbilts, \$25,000,000; National Banks, \$125,000,000.

Secretary Windom has no more legal right or authority to pay this interest for one year or one day before it is due than he has to pay the entire bonded debt, principal and interest. No more legal right to thus throw \$23,453,546 into hands of favorites, than he has to pay the salaries of all the employees of the people, from president down to postal delivery clerk, for one year or ten years in advance.

But it shows the utter disregard the present party in power has for the people, and the party now in power in Washington ransacking the place, differs not a whit from the administration that preceded it, as both are the machine hirelings of the bondholders and national bank combinations.

The government rakes the country from hilltop to furrow; skins it of all it dares; hoards it in the treasury, and to accommodate the money lenders, thus steps in, takes out \$23,000,000, and kindly hands it out to those who, as bondholders, are exempt from taxation, and much given to pleasure in foreign countries.

Why not pay Harrison's salary the full term in advance?

Why not pay each member of his cabinet his full salary in advance?

Why not pay each senator his salary six years in advance?

Why not pay each congressman his two year's salary in advance?

Why not pay each judge and court official his salary in advance?

Why not pay the army and navy, and all pensions claims ten years in advance?

Why not pay all postmasters and postoffice clerks their salary four years

in advance?

Why not pay interest on the government bonds given to the Union Pacific Railroad, ten or twenty years in advance?

Then, why not issue more bonds, sell them to those thus favored, letting them have bonds in lieu of cash, and compel the dampfools of farmers and laboring men generally to pay the interest on all these bonds, at least one year in advance?

Why dampfools?

Because they go right on, year after year, raising children for hog feed, instead of cutting loose from the prejudice that makes them slaves, and uniting and electing a congress that will replace the old and make new laws.

The road to Jericho was a Saint's Rest, compared to the one lined by the old parties, one of which robs till weary, then sleeps to regain strength while the other robs. Thus they rob and rob about, and poverty, hard times, the sheriff and the property-absorber stalk over the land, bringing the present generation to despair and the coming generations into slavery. —Pomeroy's Advance Thought.

### A Letter from an Old Man.

ED. AGITATOR; I wish briefly to notice the lengthy Republican platform which eulogizes the Republican party in general terms, and at the same time impeaches it in specific charges.

1st. Protective policy, home market—Blaine: "Won't make a market for one barrel more of pork or flour."

2nd. Wants labor protected.

3rd. A tariff that don't afford protection to *any* legitimate industry is in the interest of a *few*.

We have got that very thing the last twenty-five years.

4th. "Free coinage of silver."

We might have passed the senate bill on free coinage, but for a Republican; but Harrison would have vetoed it, which would have hurt the party.

"The present bill rapidly increases the value of silver."

Yes, and both houses of congress have invested largely in the speculation.

5th. "It demands a free ballot." And we might have had it but for the Republicans.

6th. "Demands law against the alien ownership of large tracts of land."

That is worded to suit their purpose. England has a company in California, I think 15 years, mining and carrying home silver bricks.

7th. They approve of our prohibitory law. Yes, and Republican judges attempted to nullify the law. That was just a feeler to see if we would stand it.

Now all the laws that the party admits are wrong, they also know will remain wrong as long as the party is in power. The Harrison campaign worker told the people of Colorado they would remonetize silver and coin it, and the people believed it. But when a Colorado senator framed a

bill to do so, it was laid on the table: and there came the edict from Wall street, that there would be no change in finance for the next four years.

AN OLD MAN.

We notice an article in a paper printed in a sister state bawling the demoralizing influence of our prohibitory law, which caused the seeker after Missouri hell juice to violate the law before he could indulge his innocent passion, while in the land of the free he could enjoy liquid damnation under the refining influences of legislative approval, surrounded with all the comforts and embellishments of the gilded houses of sin. So it is the law that makes it a crime, is it? Is it no crime for a man to indulge his brutal passions to the injury of himself and the peril of his fellowmen. Oh, no! it is no crime unless made so by the law, and we have the awful responsibility of causing our rum-soaked toppers to commit a crime every time they pour the poison down their callous gullets. —Colony Free Press.



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Will address the People of Anderson county at

GARNETT,

Wednesday, Oct. 15,

AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

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